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1. AT FEB 6 BONN GROUP MEETING US REP MADE PRESENTATION AS SET OUT REFTEL A. UK AND FRENCH REPS ALSO RECONFIRMED THEIR GOVERNMENTS' POSITION ON NO OFFICIAL ALLIED PARTICIPATION IN CEREMONIES ON GERMAN TERRITORY. BRITISH SAID THEY KNEW OF NO SIMILAR SOVIET INVITATIONS TO LONDON AS HAD BEEN RECEIVED IN WASHINGTON. FRG REP THANKED US REP FOR INFORMATION AND INVITATION TO COMMENT AND WELCOMED ALLIED RECONFIRMATION RE CEREMONIES ON GERMAN TERRITORY.

2. BOTH UK AND FRENCH REPS SAID THEY STILL OF VIEW THAT THREE ALLIES SHOULD SAY SOMETHING JOINTLY IN NATO. UK REP SAID HIS SECRETARY OF STATE HAS ALREADY APPROVED A
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TEXT WHICH COULD BE USED. US REP WONDERED WHETHER SUCH

STATEMENT HAD NOT BEEN OVERTAKEN BY EVENTS.

3. COMMENT. IN VIEW OF WHAT UK AND FRENCH REPS SAID IN
FEB 4 NATO POLADS (REFTELA) AND WHAT UK AND FRENCH BONN
GROUP REPS SAID IN FEB 6 BONN GROUP REGARDING STATEMENT
FOR NATO, DEPARTMENT GUIDANCE ON POSSIBLE JOINT PRESEN-
TATION FOR NATOREQUESTED (SEE ALSO REFTEL C).
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